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Jueterbog Altes Lager Airfield

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REMARKS

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1. The following air activity and aircraft were observed at Jueterbog Altes Lager airfield between 7 and 18 December 1953:

7 December. At 2:10 p.m., 2 ground attack aircraft landed and were parked in front of hangar No 4. 1

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8 December. About 10 a.m., 12 MIG-15s which were parked in hangars Nos 8 and 9 were towed to the runway and lined up just north of it. Air activity by these aircraft started at 10:30 a.m. A formation of 3 MIG-15s made a flight of about 20 minutes duration. Ten minutes after the formation had landed, 3 other MIG-15s took off for a formation flight with two aircraft flying in front, the third aft of them. Flying in this manner continued until 2 p.m. Some of the aircraft were fitted with auxiliary fuel tanks. During the noon hours, an aircraft with radial engine and blue propeller hub was also seen aloft.

9 December. Between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., flying was practiced in a similar way as on the preceding day. Aircraft housed in hangars Nos 4, 5 and 6 were involved in flying. An aircraft with radial engine and yellow propeller hub was also seen aloft.

10 December. There was no air activity. The weather was poor. The two ground attack aircraft which had been parked in front of hangar No 4 were towed into the repair shop.

11 December. No flying was observed. There was rain and fog. 2

14 December. At 1:30 p.m., a twin-engine monoplane with double rudder assembly landed. At 2 p.m., the aircraft took off again for a flight of about one hour duration during which time it circled over the firing range. Between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m., the aircraft was again observed at the field. At 4 p.m., it took off and left the field. 3

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15 December. Beginning at 9:30 a.m., 12 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s parked in hangars Nos 4, 5 and 6 were towed to the northern edge of the runway. These aircraft practiced flying in elements of twos until about 2 p.m. At the same time an aircraft with radial engine and yellow propeller hub was seen aloft.

16 December. Aircraft from hangars Nos 8, 9 and 10 practiced flying as on the preceding day. There was also an aircraft with radial engine observed flying at the same time and had a blue propeller hub.

17 December. Between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., swept-back jet fighters from hangars Nos 4, 6, 8, and 9 practiced flying in flight formations in the previously observed manner, with two aircraft flying in front of the third.

18 December. There was no air activity by MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s. Between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m., 3 Po-2s belonging to the Jueterbog Damm airfield were seen aloft. 2

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2. In early December, the AA guns near the Niedergoersdorf estate were covered by tarpaulins. [REDACTED] 25X1
the personnel stayed in their bunker. No outside training activities were observed. 4
 3. Recently several quarters for Soviet officers' dependents were vacated in the Altes Lager. Gradually the dependents of officers including the rank of lieutenant arrived in Jueterbog. [REDACTED] 25X1
[REDACTED] they had no hope to return to the USSR in the near future and, therefore, had requested to be united with their families in Germany. 5
 4. Two jet engine crates, about 1.5 meters high and about 2.5 meters long, painted blue-gray [REDACTED] were 25X1
observed in the area of the former air technical school.
 5. On 12 December, 5 swept-back jet fighters were observed at the runway. 2
An AA gun emplacement occupied by 37-mm AA guns was observed between the eastern end of the runway and the railroad line. 4

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. Il-10s of the ground attack regiment in Finsterwalde were repeatedly dispatched to Jueterbog Altes Lager because of technical work.
 2. [REDACTED] Comment. Two fighter regiments are believed to be stationed at Jueterbog Altes Lager airfield.
 3. [REDACTED] Comment. Probably a Tu-2 aircraft. Aircraft of the target-tow unit were repeatedly observed in Jueterbog.
 4. [REDACTED] The AA gun emplacements were repeatedly observed.
 5. [REDACTED] The confiscating and/or vacating of apartments for Soviet dependents was reported from various airfields in East Germany.

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